

**APPARATUS FOR OUTPUTTING TEXTUAL
RENDITIONS OF WEB PAGE IMAGES AND METHOD THEREFOR**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system and method for providing a textual rendition of graphical information incorporated in web pages is provided. The textual rendition may be output in a format accessible to those users with visual impairments for whom graphical representation of data cannot be perceived. For example, the textual rendition may be output in audio form. Alternatively, a tactile format may be used in conjunction with a Braille display, for example. The textual rendition is generated in response to an image analysis of the graphical information from which salient features of the graphical information may be extracted.

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